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## **ABSTRACT**

A method for producing differentiated or partially differentiated neurons which method includes

providing

- a source of neurectoderm cells which are isolated or otherwise derived from sources other than adult or foetal brain tissue;
  - a culture medium; and
  - a growth factor from the neural growth factor (NGF) family;

culturing the cells in the culture medium and in the presence or absence of the NGF growth factor to produce differentiated or partially differentiated neurons.